

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 PONTA 00054 151630Z
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SS-15 SSO-00 NSC-05 NSCE-00 PA-01 PRS-01
USIE-00 EB-08 AGRE-00 OES-06 DODE-00 EURE-00 CIAE-00
INR-07 NSAE-00 INRE-00 TRSE-00 /056 W
-----151636Z 050128 /45

O 151530Z FEB 77

FM AMCONSUL PONTA DELGADA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 1619
INFO AMEMBASSY LISBON IMMEDIATE
COMUSFORAZ

C O N F I D E N T I A L PONTA DELGADA 054

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS), PO, US

SUBJ: SECRETARY VANCE'S STOP IN THE AZORES

1. DURING SECRETARY VANCE'S REFUELING STOP AT LAJES
AB ON FEBRUARY 15, 1977, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CENTRAL
AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENT BOARDED THE PLANE TO GREET
AND TALK WITH THE SECRETARY. PARTICIPANTS IN THE
CONVERSATION INCLUDED: THE SECRETARY, GENERAL
FIGUEIREDO, AMB COELHO (CHIEF OF PROTOCOL), MOTA
AMARAL, MONJARDINO, BRIG SILVA, MR. HABIB, GEN WIGLEY,
AND MYSELF. GEN FIGUEIREDO, WHO SAT NEXT TO THE
SECRETARY, OPENED THE CONVERSATION WITH A SHORT
WELCOMING SPEECH IN PORTUGUESE, TRANSLATED BY BRIG

PAGE 2 RUDLPDG7709 C O N F I D E N T I A L
SILVA. ENGLISH DOMINATED THE REMAINDER OF THE CON-
VERSATION.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 PONTA 00054 151630Z

2. ALL PARTIES PARTICIPATED IN THE CONVERSATION, THE
BULK OF WHICH CONSISTED OF PLEASANTRIES AND BASIC
QUESTIONS AND BRIEF COMMENTS CONCERNING THE AZORES:
E.G., ECONOMIC BASE BEING AGRICULTURE, ESPECIALLY
DAIRYING, AND THE FACT THAT THE AZORES EXPORTS
MEAT AND MILK PRODUCTS TO THE MAINLAND; POTENTIAL
FOR DEVELOPMENT OF FISHING INDUSTRY; THE UNIVERSITY

OF THE AZORES, TRANSPORTATION, GEOTHERMAL ENERGY, PORTS, ETC. AT ONE POINT MOTA AMARAL REFERRED TO THE AZOREANS' CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES, INCLUDING REPRESENTATION IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS AFFECTING THE AZORES; SPECIFICALLY TO THE UPCOMING BASE NEGOTIATIONS. HE FURTHER STATED THAT THE CENTRAL AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS WERE WORKING TOGETHER IN PREPARING FOR THE DISCUSSIONS AND THAT OF COURSE THE CENTRAL GOVERNMENT WOULD HAVE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY. THERE WERE NO PROBES OR HINTS OF EXPECTATIONS CONCERNING THE TALKS.

PAGE 3 RUDLPDG7709 C O N F I D E N T I A L

3. WHEN QUERIED ON WHEN HE MIGHT NEXT VISIT THE AZORES, THE SECRETARY STATED THEY WOULD AGAIN REFUEL AT LAJES ON THE RETURN TRIP "ONE WEEK FROM TODAY."

4. DESPITE GENERAL WIGLEY ADVISING THE PORTUGUESE DIGNITARIES THAT THE SECRETARY WOULD RECEIVE THEM ON BOARD THE AIRCRAFT FOR A "BRIEF" PERIOD, THE MEETING LASTED ABOUT ONE HOUR BUT WENT EXTREMELY WELL. IN FACT, AS WE DEPARTED THE AIRCRAFT THE GENERAL PRIVATELY EXPRESSED REGRETS TO THE SECRETARY FOR OUR HAVING TAKEN SO MUCH TIME, TO WHICH THE SECRETARY ASSURED HIM NO PROBLEM AND THAT HE HAD ENJOYED IT VERY MUCH. FLYNN

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 15-Feb-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977PONTA00054
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770053-0987
Format: TEL
From: PONTA DELGADA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19770240/aaaabjqk.tel
Line Count: 89
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 5038cec6-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 29-Nov-2004 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3319194
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: SECRETARY VANCE'S STOP IN THE AZORES
TAGS: OVIP, PO, US, (VANCE, CYRUS R)
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/5038cec6-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009